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TO: Educational Associations, Counselors and Deans of Higher
Education Institutions, and County and District Superintendent
of Schools

FROM: John F. Brown, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: UPDATE - Examination Score Standards and Appeal Procedures

This coded correspondence is intended to inform you that passing score standards for Commission-approved examinations have not changed and will remain unchanged until further notice. The enclosed copy of the passing score standards reflects this fact by not indicating an ending date for examinations taken on or after August 1, 1980.

The examination appeal procedure also remains unchanged. Please refer to previous coded correspondence #80-8106, dated September 10, 1980, for information relative to examination appeals.

I would appreciate your assistance in seeing that this information is circulated to all appropriate staff and to all credential candidates. Credential analysts and testing officers should also be encouraged to give copies to students.

If you have any questions regarding these policies and procedures, please call Victoria L. Bernhardt, Examinations Consultant at (916) 445-3223 or ATSS 8-485-3223.

Enclosure

EXAMINATION SCORE STANDARDS - UPDATE

In December 1980, the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing adopted the policy that examination cut-off scores shall remain the same until further notice. In addition, the Commission updated appeal procedures as follows: Persons who achieved scores on examinations during the 1979-80 year which were below 1979-80 cut-off scores, but which meet the current cut-off scores, may appeal to the Commission for qualification of those scores.

PASSING SCORE STANDARDS

<u>EXAMINATION</u>	<u>Sept. 1, 1974- July 31, 1979</u>	<u>Aug. 1, 1979- July 31, 1980</u>	<u>Aug. 1, 1980- current</u>
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Common Examinations (candidate must pass in each section)

Written English Expression	60 *	61 *	60 *
Social Science, Literature & Fine Arts	60 *	63 *	62 *
Science & Mathematics	62 *	62 *	62 *

Single Subject Examinations

Agriculture (Formula Score)	75 *	75 *	75 *
Art Education	622 *	630 *	620 *
Biology & General Science	676 *	680 *	680 *
Business Education	629 *	640 *	630 *
Chemistry, Physics, & General Science	628 *	630 *	630 *
English Language & Literature	618 *	620 *	620 *
French	613 *	670 *	680 *
German	631 *	630 *	630 *
Home Economics Education	647 *	650 *	650 *
Industrial Arts Education	626 *	630 *	640 *
Mathematics	632 *	670 *	630 *
Music Education	616 *	630 *	620 *
Physical Education (Feb. 1976 to present)	623 *	640 *	640 *
Social Studies	627 *	630 *	630 *
Spanish	636 *	650 *	650 *

Other Examinations

Educational Administration & Supervision

(Jan. 1, 1977 to May 31, 1979) 673 **

Reading Specialist/Miller-Unruh	560 **	630 *	630 *
Introduction to the Teaching of Reading	680 **	680 *	680 *
College-Level Examination Program - English Composition with Essay			
English Majors Only		680 *	680 *
All Others		630 *	630 *

* No score appeal possible for the February 1979 and subsequent examinations.

** No appeal possible.

NOTE: A new appeal system became effective February 1979.

SCORES REMAIN VALID FOR FIVE YEARS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF THE EXAMINATION ON WHICH THE SCORE WAS RECEIVED. EXAMINATION SCORES MUST MEET PASSING STANDARDS IN EFFECT IN THAT PERIOD OF TIME DURING WHICH THE EXAMINATION WAS TAKEN.